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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant(s) : Christian A. HEID et al.  
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FOR NUCLEIC ACID  
AMPLIFICATION**  
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**REMARKS AND RESPONSE**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed July 29, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

There are no Amendments to the Specification.

There are no Amendments to the Claims. Previously presented claims begin on page 2.

There are no Amendments to the Drawings.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.